

Today's Market Quotations

OIL SHARES ARE EARLY FEATURES

Reported Withdrawal of Villa Forces from Mexico Regarded Cause for Advance.

New York, Dec. 20.—Oil shares and American Smelting were the prominent features of the early stock market today, their strength being attributed mainly to the reported withdrawal of the Villa forces from Mexico, together with further advances in the price of raw and refined petroleum.

Coppers also hardened and steel rose almost a point to 86½, but to-day added points to its early loss.

Bonds were steady.

Specialties were among the main features on the resumption of trading today on the stock exchange. Investment shares showed little change from last week's final quotations. Baldwin Locomotive, Studebaker, Crucible Steel, Texas Company, Mexican Petroleum, United States Industrial Alcohol and Mercantile Marine preferred were 1 to almost 3 points higher, with a more moderate improvement in coppers. United States Steel was a small fraction above at the opening, but soon added to this gain. American Tobacco fell ¼ to 261.

SOME STRENGTH SHOWN IN WHEAT

Cables Reporting Heavy Foreign Buying Helps Bullish Tendency in List Today.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Strength developed in wheat today on firm cables and buying by houses with seaboard connections. Current estimates that 70 per cent of the crop in the northwest has left the farms tended also to lift prices. The opening, which ranged from 1¼ to 1½ higher, with December at 1.18½ and May at 1.19½, to 1.20½, was followed by moderate gains.

The big increase of the United States visible supply total seemed to have been discounted in full, and the market closed 1½ to 3¼ net higher, with December at 1.21 and May at 1.22½.

Corn was easier despite the strength of wheat. Cold weather acted as a depressing influence. After opening a shade to ¼ lower, the market rallied but again sagged.

The close was unchanged to ¼ higher.

Oats were chiefly governed by corn. Commission house buying was of sufficient volume to make the provision market firm.

PRICES DROP AS RECEIPTS GROW

Chicago Hog Market Breaks Under Heavy Weight of Unexpected Number of Arrivals.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Big receipts seemed to weaken prices in hogs. In the cattle trade packers seemed to be holding off. Beef lambs were in demand, but otherwise the market for sheep and lambs had no snap.

Hogs: Receipts 65,000; fairly active; bulk 6.20@6.50; light 5.95@6.20; mixed 6.10@6.40; heavy 6.20@6.75; rough 6.20@6.35; pigs 4.75@5.50.

Cattle: Receipts 25,000; weak; steers 5.80@6.30; cows and heifers 5.80@6.30; calves 6.75@10.00.

Sheep: Receipts 17,000; weak; weathers 6.10@6.50; lambs 6.85@9.45.

St. Louis Live Stock.

St. Louis, Dec. 20.—Hogs: receipts 15,500; higher; pigs and lights 6.00@6.75; heavy 6.75@6.90.

Cattle: receipts 7,000; strong; steers 7.50@10.40; cows and heifers 5.50@10.20; calves 6.90@10.25.

Sheep: receipts 2,500; steady; yearlings 6.50@7.50; lambs 8.90@9.35; sheep 5.50@6.50.

Kansas City Live Stock.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 20.—Hogs: receipts 16,000; steady; bulk 6.25@6.55; heavy 6.45@6.60; light 6.20@6.50; pigs 5.00@6.00.

Cattle: receipts 15,000; steady; steers 6.00@9.75; cows 4.00@9.00; calves 6.00@9.25.

Sheep: receipts 10,000; steady; yearlings 6.25@7.15; weathers 5.75@6.50; lambs 6.50@9.00.

LOCAL MARKETS.

Dec. 20.—Following are the wholesale quotations on the local markets today:

Vegetables.	
Parsley, dozen bunches	30c
Cabbage, dozen	30 to 40c
Leaf lettuce, pound	10c
Cauliflower, dozen	12.75
Radishes, dozen	15c
Turnips, per bushel	40c
Beets, per bushel	40c
Late potatoes	65c
Carrots, per bushel	50c
Celery, per dozen	30c
Onions, per 100 pounds	\$1.50
Parsnips, per bushel	60c
Sweet potatoes, per bushel	90c
Wax beans, per hamper	\$3
Butter, Eggs and Poultry.	
Cheese, brick, lb.	18c
Butter, creamery, bulk, lb.	28c
Butter, dairy, lb.	25c
Eggs, fresh	30 to 31c
Eggs, storage	25c
Old roosters	7c
Spring chickens	13c
Hens	11c
Butter, creamery, print, lb.	29c
Fruit.	
Home apples, per bu.	60c

WEATHER OBSERVATIONS.

Precipitation on the north Pacific coast and light snow in the lake region and the St. Lawrence valley have attended areas of low pressure which are over Alberta and the province of Quebec. Another disturbance is noted over southern Florida and rains have occurred during the past 24 hours on the Gulf and extreme south Atlantic coasts. An area of high pressure and fair, cold weather prevails from the Rocky mountain plateau to the middle Atlantic coast and Virginia. It is cold, and slightly below zero in northern Minnesota and northern Saskatchewan. Generally fair weather is indicated for this vicinity tonight and Tuesday, with rising temperature.

WEATHER OBSERVATIONS.	
High, Low, Prev.	
Boston	44 30 .00

The Day in Davenport

Poison Given to Farmer is Verdict.—Charles E. Drummond died as a result of poison administered to him by persons unknown, was the verdict of the coroner's jury at the inquest held in the office of Justice Phil Laun. A large number of witnesses were heard, but in spite of the efforts which local authorities had made to investigate the conditions surrounding Drummond's presence here no additional light was thrown on the case. According to the testimony adduced at the inquest Drummond came to Davenport on Nov. 20 and stopped at a local hotel. Early on the morning of Dec. 8, about 5 o'clock, Drummond is said to have left Davenport for Rock Island. He returned here at 11 o'clock and left for Dixon a short time afterward. He became ill on the train and when it reached Dixon he was unconscious. He never returned to complete consciousness, but during his state of semi-consciousness, he repeated time and again the statement, "he gave me poison." Members of the family made every effort to learn what he was trying to say, but failed.

Is Found Guilty on Short Weight.—Albert Hesse, a farmer residing near Buffalo, was found guilty of giving short weight on a sale of potatoes by Justice W. R. Maines. He was fined \$5 and costs. Information against Hesse was sworn out by Deputy State Inspector Matt Lamb.

Lifer Never Saw Time, Say Police.—That Gus Eisenberg, the self-named life prisoner at Fort Madison, never did time in the institution is the belief of police, following a letter received here from the record clerk in the office of Warden J. C. Sanders. The letter was in answer to one sent from here in which the story of Eisenberg was related. He claimed he had been sent to Fort Madison from Sioux City in 1886 and after serving 28 years had been released. The writer asks for a photograph of Eisenberg to determine whether or not he had ever been an inmate of the institution. In the letter is enclosed the photograph of one Lee Benberger, who was admitted to the prison in 1895 and released in 1900. While it does not bear any resemblance to Eisenberg, it shows a large man, about his size, although much younger. The picture, however, was taken 20 years ago, or at the time of Eisenberg's admission to the institution. A photograph of Gus is requested. Although Eisenberg had made the statement last Saturday night and again Sunday afternoon he repudiated it on Monday when he was brought into police court and stated it was merely a "brain storm" the result of having taken drugs.

Plumber Union Head Succumbs.—George Hall, 514 East Ninth street, president of the local plumbers' union ever since its organization, member of Carnival Camp, W. O. W., for the past 20 years, and prominent in other Davenport lodges, died Saturday following an operation. The deceased was at one time plumbing inspector of Davenport. He was born in Toronto, Canada, June 25, 1860, and came to Davenport in 1883. Since that time he has lived in Davenport. Among the lodges in which Mr. Hall took a prominent part was Home Guard Homestead, No. 373. In 1886 the deceased was married to Lena Schenker of Davenport. The widow and five sons mourn his untimely death. The sons are J. E., Robert W., Victor L., John R. and Charles C. Hall. Three daughters also survive. They are: Mrs. F. L. Kramer of York, Neb.;

Buffalo	34	29	38
Davenport	20	11	00
Denver	26	16	00
Jacksonville	62	42	1.06
Kansas City	40	28	00
New Orleans	62	42	08
New York	40	30	00
Norfolk	46	32	00
Phoenix	60	34	00
St. Louis	36	28	00
St. Paul	5	6	00
San Diego	62	46	00
San Francisco	56	46	00
Seattle	46	40	54
Washington	44	33	00
Winnipeg	14	9	02
Yellowstone	32	12	00

J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

Wheat—Open, High, Low, Close.			
Dec.	1.10½	1.21½	1.21
May	1.19½	1.22½	1.22½
Corn—			
Dec.	60	69½	69½
May	72½	78½	78½
Oats—			
Dec.	41½	41½	41½
May	44½	45½	45½
Pork—			
Jan.	18.60	18.72	18.60
May	18.70	18.77	18.77
Lard—			
Jan.	9.65	9.70	9.65
May	9.95	10.00	9.95
Ribs—			
Jan.	9.85	9.90	9.85
May	10.20	10.27	10.20

St. Louis Provisions.

St. Louis, Mo., Dec. 20.—Poultry: Chickens, 8¢@11¢; springs, 11¢; turkeys, 15¢@17½¢; ducks, 13¢; geese, 11¢@12¢.

Butter—Creamery, 24c.

Eggs, 29c.

Omaha Grain.

Omaha, Dec. 20.—Wheat: No. 2 hard, 1.09@1.11.

Corn: No. 2 white, 64¢@64½¢; No. 3 yellow, 62½¢@63¢; No. 2, 64¢@66¢.

Oats: No. 3 white, 33¢@33½¢.

London Silver.

London, Dec. 20.—Bar silver 26 1/16d per ounce.

LAST SALES.

Allis-Chalmers	31½
American Beet Sugar	70
American Can	59½
American Car & Foundry	77½
American Cotton Oil	55½
American Locomotive	68½
American Smelting & Refining	102
American Sugar Refining	116
American Tel. & Tel.	128½
Anacosta Copper	86½
Atchafalpa	105½
Baldwin Locomotive	116½
Baltimore & Ohio	92½
Bethlehem Steel	47½
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	41
California Petroleum	31
Canadian Pacific	108½
Central Leather	32½
Cheapeake & Ohio	61½
C. M. & St. P.	93½
C. R. I. & P. R.	161½
China Copper	33½
Crucible Steel	73½
Denver & Rio Grande pfd	27½
Ernst	42½
General Electric	174
General Motors	49½
Goodrich Co.	73
Great Northern Ore. Cfs.	48½
Great Northern pfd	125½
Illinois Central	107-B
Interborough-Corral, Corp.	21½
Infer, Harvester, N. J.	100½
Lehigh Valley	82
Louisville & Nashville	127-B
Maxwell Motor Co.	7 5/16
Mexican Petroleum	28½
Missouri, Kansas & Texas pfd.	15½
Missouri Pacific	47½
National Lead	63½
New York Central	105½
N. Y. N. H. & Hartford	74½
Norfolk & Western	120½
Northern Pacific	116½
Pennsylvania	68½
Ray Consolidated Copper	24½
Reading	81½
Republic Iron & Steel	54½
Southern Pacific	101
Southern Railway	23
Studebaker Co.	168
Texas Co.	253½
Tennessee Copper	57½
Union Pacific	127
United States Rubber	54½
United States Steel	85½
United States Steel pfd.	116½
Wabash Copper	78½
Wabash pfd, B	29½

Innocent Cause of It.

"How did you happen to leave your hat place?"

"The house was burned down, ma'am."

"Well, of course you were not to blame for that."

"Now, the lady who hired me wouldn't furnish me kindlin' an' I had to start the fire with kerosene."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

Chicago Grain.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Wheat: No. 2 red 1.20½@1.22; No. 3 red 1.12@1.18; No. 2 hard 1.19@1.20; No. 3 hard 1.12½@1.14.

Corn: No. 2 yellow, nominal; No. 4 yellow 65¢@67½¢; No. 4 white 65½¢@66½¢.

Oats: No. 3 white 40½¢@41½¢; standard 42½¢@43.

Rye: No. 2, 94¢@95; barley 60¢@70; timothy 5.00@7.75; clover 10.00@19.00; pork 16.62; lard 9.57; ribs 9.87@10.25.

Chicago Provisions.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Butter, higher; creamery, 23¢@24¢.

Eggs, higher; receipts, 1.617 cases; firsts, 29¢@30¢; ordinary firsts, 27½¢@28½¢; at mark, cases included, 22¢@30¢.

Potatoes, higher; receipts, 33 cars; Michigan and Wisconsin whites, 88¢@75¢; Minnesota white, 70¢@75¢; Minnesota Ohio, 60¢@72¢.

Poultry, alive, market; turkeys, 11¢@12¢; springs, 12¢@13¢.

New York Provisions.

New York, Dec. 20.—Butter, firm; receipts, 1,458; creamery extras, 34½¢; firsts, 29½¢@30¢; seconds, 25½¢@26½¢.

Eggs, weak; receipts, 8,853; fresh gathered, extra fine, 37¢@38¢; extra firsts, 35¢@36¢; firsts, 33¢@34¢; seconds, 30¢@32¢.

Cheese, steady; receipts, 1,008; state whole milk held flats, specials, 17¢@18¢; do, average fancy, 16¢@17¢; do, current makes, specials, 15¢@16¢; do, average fancy, 14¢@15¢.

Live poultry prices unsettled. Dressed, firm; fresh killed chickens, 15¢@27¢; fowls, 13¢@17¢; turkeys, 23¢@27¢.

New York Sugar.

New York, Dec. 20.—Sugar, centrifugal, 4.89; molasses, 4.12; refined, quiet.

Peoria Grain.

Peoria, Ill., Dec. 20.—Corn: No. 4 white, 65¢; No. 3 yellow, 67½¢; No. 3 mixed, 66¢@67¢.

Oats: No. 3 white, 40¢@41¢.

Kansas City Provisions.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 20.—Butter: creamery, 33¢; firsts, 31¢; seconds, 29¢; packing, 19¢.

Eggs: Firsts, 28¢; seconds, 26¢.

Poultry: Hens, 10½¢@11¢; turkeys, 15¢; springs, 12¢.

Kansas City Grain.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 20.—Wheat—No. 2 hard, 1.09@1.12; No. 2 red, 1.15@1.19; Corn—No. 2 mixed, 65¢@65½¢; No. 2 white, 65½¢; No. 2 yellow, 66½¢.

Oats—No. 2 white, 42½¢@43¢; No. 2 mixed, 39¢@40¢.

Hay—Timothy, 11.00@12.00; prairie, 9.50@10.00; alfalfa, 15.50@16.00.

Liverpool Grain.

Liverpool, Dec. 20.—Wheat: No. 2 hard winter, new, 11s 9d.

Corn: American mixed, new, 9s 2d.

ON COUNTY RECORDS.

Archie D. Andre to Nora Helena Cowan, lot 5, Gluckoff's subdivision in section 7-17-14, 81.

Alice C. Walker to Theodore B. Johnson, lot 6, Alice Childs Walker's replat of block 6, and part of block 2, Orland Childs' addition, Moline, 32,750.

Card of Thanks.

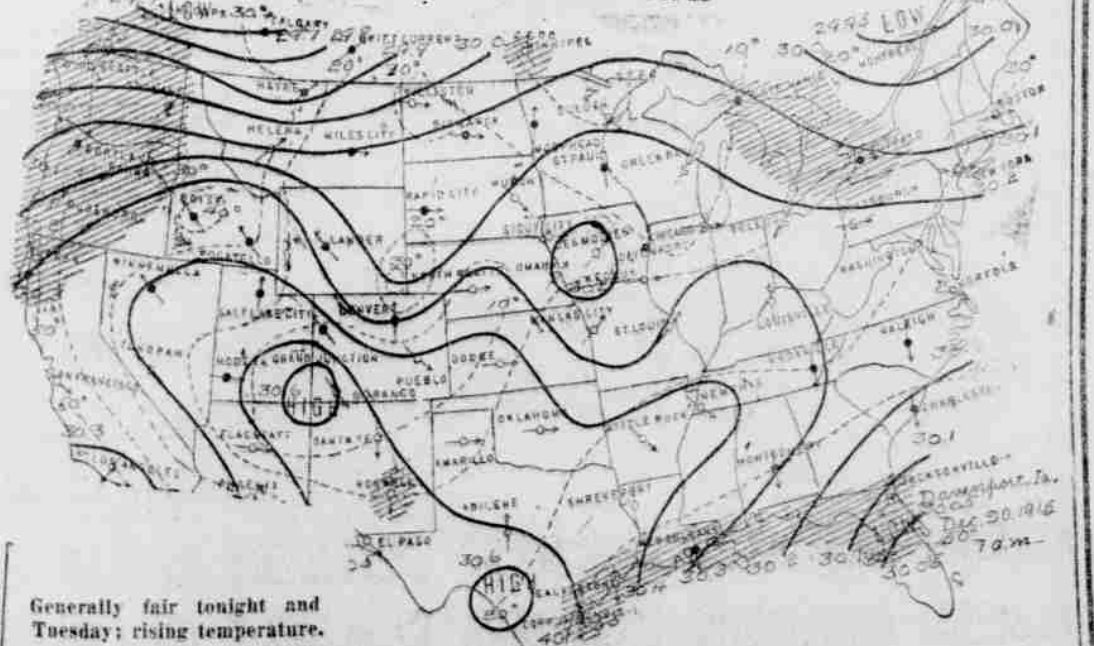
MRS. Hugo Alvina and children wish to express their heartfelt thanks to the many friends for kindnesses shown them at the time of the tragic death of husband and father; also singers and donors of the many beautiful floral offerings.

Our memory goes back to the time, about a month or so before we were married, when we were in a frame of mind where, if anybody had come around and asked us for a million dollars for national defense or anything else for that matter, we'd have gone out and tried to get it for him.—Ohio State Journal.

Daily United States Weather Map

U. S. Department of Agriculture, Weather Bureau
Charles F. Marvin, Chief

DAILY WEATHER MAP



Generally fair tonight and Tuesday; rising temperature.

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

Observations taken at 8 a. m. 24th meridian time. Air pressure reduced to sea level. Isotherms (continuous lines) pass through points of equal air pressure. Isohyets (dotted lines) pass through points of equal precipitation, drawn only for zero, freezing, 50, and 100.

☉ clear; ☁ partly cloudy; ☂ cloudy; ☃ rain; ☄ snow; ★ report missing. Arrows fly with the wind.

Shaded area shows precipitation 44. 01 inch or more.

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Fraternal YOUTH INJURED IN COASTING CRASH

Son of H. E. Weeks of Davenport Gets Leg Broken When Loaded Bob-sled Hits Carriage.

COMPANIONS ESCAPE UNINJURED

Walcott Woman Painfully Bruised When She Is Run Down by Sled on Fifth Street Hill.

George Weeks, 16-year-old son of H. E. Weeks, secretary of the People's Light company of Davenport, was seriously injured in a coasting accident last night at 9:30 on Hillcrest avenue.

The lad was steering a bob filled with companions and the sled was traveling at a fast clip as it neared the bottom of the hill. The front sled struck the cover over a storm drain, causing it to swerve, and before the pilot could right the course of the bob it collided with the curb with terrific force. Weeks was thrown headlong from the bob and his right leg became caught in the guard, breaking the bone between the knee and ankle. Other members of the party escaped injury.

Woman Run Down. Mrs. August Ramm of Walcott, Iowa, was painfully injured yesterday afternoon on Fifth street, Davenport, when she was run down by a boy on a sled. She was thrown to the pavement and considerably bruised, but was able to proceed to the Rock Island station, where she boarded a train for home.

MOLINE MAN FALLS AND BREAKS ANKLE. As a result of slipping on an icy sidewalk shortly before 5 p. m. Sunday, Frank Ruff is confined to his home, 568 Sixteenth avenue, Moline, with a broken ankle. The accident occurred in South Moline as Ruff was bound for home.

After slipping Ruff put out his right foot to retard force of the fall and in doing so wrenched the ankle and broke one of the bones. He was taken to his home and attended by Dr. Perry Wesel. He will be obliged to remain in bed several weeks.

DON SALES COMPANY HOLD AUTO PARADE. Something new in the way of display advertising by local auto agents was seen today on the downtown streets, when the Don Sales company paraded the business sections of Rock Island, Davenport and Moline with four 1916 models of the Chalmers car. Each of the cars carried display and banners and signs and the Claxon horns were kept going along the route of the trip. Many favorable comments on the new Chalmers models were heard on the streets as the cars passed.

START GATHERING ICE CROP IN WEEK. Ice harvest will begin in one week in the event the freezing weather continues, declared J. P. Pearson of the Moline Channel Ice company, today. With 40 per cent of last year's harvest remaining in storage this company expects to harvest only 60 per cent of its average crop.

A thickness of five inches in the Sylvan slough of the Mississippi river is reported by Mr. Pearson and he is of the opinion that the ice should be 19 inches thick by next Monday. If so, he will then begin operations with a force of approximately 100 men.

GERMAN GOVERNOR PLANS RETIREMENT. Rome, Dec. 19 (via Paris, Dec. 20, 5 a. m.)—General Von Bissing, German governor of the occupied portion of Belgium, is to retire from the governorship on Jan. 1, on account of ill health, according to a report from Antwerp to Correspondence.

Amsterdam newspapers several weeks ago printed dispatches saying it was reported in Brussels that General Von Bissing would retire. The messages intimated that the general was on the verge of a complete collapse, owing to ill health and overwork.

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Sacred Heart court, Catholic Order of Foresters, will hold its regular meeting this evening, and plans for installation of officers—an event of the first Monday in January—will be discussed. A social session will also be in order.

Plans for winter mission work were discussed at a meeting of representatives of the First district Good Templars in Moline Sunday and decision to bring Carl Holmquist, noted Swedish orator of Chicago, to this locality, was reached. The first district includes Moline, Davenport, Galesburg and a number of smaller places. First address in Moline will be delivered by Mr. Holmquist in Swedish Olive hall Jan. 8, under auspices of Frithem lodge No. 16. Temperance will be his subject and he will tell something of progress of the cause among Scandinavian-Americans. The speaker will remain in this vicinity two weeks, visiting all lodges of the district and also making a trip to Des Moines before returning home. A number of other speakers will probably be secured for later in the season. Regular business only was transacted at the weekly meeting of Frithem lodge Saturday.

Plans for activities during the coming year will be discussed at regular meeting of the Moline Danish Brotherhood this evening. The organization recently resumed meetings after a considerable period of suspended activity, and great enthusiasm is being shown by members. A number of applications are also expected.

Real Estate Transfers.—Following are warranty deeds filed at the court house: David Condran and wife to James Fletcher, lot 1 and the south half of lot 2, block 6, Princeton. Consideration, \$2,000.

Mattie Burns to Isaac H. Burns, south 28 feet of lot 13, LeClaire's addition. Consideration, \$3,000.

Mattie Burns to William H. Burns, north 28 feet of the south 273 feet of the west half of lot 15, LeClaire's second addition. Consideration, \$3,000.

Mrs. George Kerker of Davenport and Margaret E. Hall at home. Two sisters, Miss Margaret Hall and Mrs. Wellington Hall, both of Toronto, Can.; one brother, William Hall, also of Toronto, and the mother, at Toronto, also survive.